

II. SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS

Please delete[✓] the paragraph beginning on page 2, line 1.

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 7, line 24 through line 25 as rewritten below:

D¹ Figure 7d illustrates a ~~third~~-sixth embodiment of the tunable capacitor in accordance with the invention,

Please replace[✓] the paragraph beginning on page 16, lines 1 through 3 as rewritten below:

D² In a preferred embodiment the gap 12 between the capacitor electrodes 8 and 11 is an air gap. ~~The~~ A^{1st} second dielectric layer 7 is advantageously used as a sacrificial layer in creating the air gap 12.

Please delete[✓] page 18.